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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION 1

Introductory Remarks

This is a response to the first office action mailed January 16, 2007.

The claims are amended herein as indicated. After this amendment there are two independent claims (claims 1, 17 and 21), twenty claims in total, and no multiple claim dependencies. No new matter is added by this amendment.

Remarks on the office action and the amendments are also included.